CHAPTER 132

HUMAN SERVICES - SOCIAL SERVICES

SENATE BILL 11-183

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AN ACT

CONCERNING MANDATING REPRESENTATION BY PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES ON CERTAIN STATE BOARDS.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. 24-32-706 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

24-32-706. State housing board. (1) There is hereby created, within the division of housing, the state housing board. The board shall consist of seven members who shall be appointed by the governor for terms of four years each, except as provided in subsection (2) of this section. In making appointments to the board, the governor is encouraged to SHALL include representation by at least one member who is a person with a disability, as defined in section 24-45.5-102 (2), a family member of a person with a disability, or a member of an advocacy group for persons with disabilities.

SECTION 2. 25.5-1-301 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

25.5-1-301. Medical services board - creation. (1) There is hereby created in the state department a medical services board, referred to in this part 3 as the "board", which shall consist of eleven members appointed by the governor with the consent of the senate. The governor shall appoint persons to the board who have knowledge of medical assistance programs, and one or more of the appointments may include a person or persons who have received services through programs administered by the department within two years of the date of appointment. No more than six members of the board shall be members of the same political party.

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.

Of the eleven members appointed to the board, at least one shall be appointed from each congressional district. In making appointments to the board, the governor is encouraged to SHALL include representation by at least one member who is a person with a disability, as defined in section 24-45.5-102 (2), C.R.S., a family member of a person with a disability, or a member of an advocacy group for persons with disabilities, provided that the other requirements of this subsection (1) are met.

SECTION 3. 26-1-107 (1) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

26-1-107. State board of human services - rules. (1) (a) There is hereby created the state board of human services. The state board shall consist of nine members, each of whom shall be appointed by the governor, with the consent of the senate, for terms of four years each. In making appointments to the board, the governor is encouraged to SHALL include representation by at least one member who is a person with a disability, as defined in section 24-45.5-102 (2), C.R.S., a family member of a person with a disability, or a member of an advocacy group for persons with disabilities.

SECTION 4. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 10, 2011, if adjournment sine die is on May 11, 2011); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part shall not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2012 and shall take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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